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Dear Supervisors,

I'm writing regarding the budget discussion scheduled for your June 3rd meeting, especially as it pertains to the proposed cuts to health care services—and particularly how they affect the lab at Emeline Street.

I don't have a personal stake in this matter; I'm simply a concerned taxpayer and voter. This is my second time reaching out to you about this issue—I wrote before your last meeting. I hope you received my letter, which was left in your box at the County office. I say "I hope" because I did not receive a response from anyone.

Today, I'm writing to ask you to consider the following: The panic currently being felt by the County Health administration stems from anticipated budget cuts that won't actually take effect for quite some time. While the news of upcoming federal funding reductions is not surprising, these changes will not impact day-to-day operations at Emeline Street for several months.

However, the layoffs of the twelve affected employees will be immediate and abrupt. As I understand it, they were notified in April that the lab and X-ray departments would be closing

on June 30th. I can only imagine the upheaval this has caused as they scramble to meet financial obligations based on salaries that will soon vanish.

Given these circumstances, I urge you to consider postponing these closures—if they must happen at all—until the next budget year, and to revisit the issue during next year’s budget hearings.

Thank you for your consideration. I understand these are difficult times.

Sincerely,

Antoinette Corrigan